## Judicial Branch Schedules Information Session Regarding Secure Residential Beds and Programming for Court-Involved Juveniles

The Judicial Branch has scheduled an informational session on Tuesday, Dec. 17, at 1 p.m. to



describe its interest in contracting for secure residential beds and programming for court-involved juveniles, and to listen to the challenges preventing potential bidders from submitting a proposal to provide these services.

"We have a legislative mandate to provide secure facilities for youths ages 14 to 18 who have been adjudicated as delinquent through the juvenile court system," Gary A. Roberge, executive director of the Judicial Branch's Court Support Services Division, said. "Unfortunately, we received only one bid when we previously advertised for this service. We hope that the meeting next week will generate interest and also provide a forum to address any questions

that potential providers may have."

The meeting is open to the public and will be held at Central Connecticut State University's Institute of Technology and Business Development at 185 Main St. in New Britain. During the session, a panel of Judicial Branch employees will be available to explain the requirements of the bid and assist in identifying available resources.

"By listening to the providers, we hope to foster creative solutions to meet this challenge," Roberge added.